

PLAN COMMISSION MEETING
SEPTEMBER 6, 2016 - 5:00 P.M.

Members Present: Fred Horne, Ron Volkert, Mike Kastens, Jim Zajkowski and Sarah Skinner (ex-officio)

Members Absent: David Wilford, MaryKay Rice and Kyle Hinrichs

Others Present: Beth Thompson, Tanya Batchelor, Noah Wiedenfeld, Jeremiah Wendt, Jeff Moberg, Jeff Abboud, and James Koenig.

Fred Horne called the meeting to order and roll call was taken.

Jim Zajkowski moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Mike Kastens and carried.

Mike Kastens moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting on August 23, 2016, seconded by Jim Zajkowski and carried.

Department of Transportation Presentation – Jug Handle Concepts

Jeremiah Wendt explained several concepts regarding the jug handle. The original concept included an overpass and closing the Wall Street crossroad. Staff has been working with the DOT and stakeholders in that area to come up with a solution that everyone can support. Several public meetings were held to gather information from property owners along with individual meetings with affected landowners. The solution that everyone supports includes an overpass that is west of Wall Street and connects at North Fourth Street and Wall Street north of the National Guard building and adjacent pond. Discussion followed. The next step is to modify the Official City map of right-of-way. A Public Hearing will be held at a future Plan Commission meeting, and a recommendation from the Plan Commission can be given to the City Council for their action. A new Memorandum of Agreement will need to be signed between the City and DOT regarding cost sharing at each stage of the process. Discussion followed. Representatives from the DOT will also be present at the Public Hearing.

Petition for Annexation from Jeff Moberg

Fred Horne declared the Public Hearing open to discuss the following:

- a. A Petition for Annexation from Jeff Moberg for property located at 1428 Highway 64, New Richmond, Wisconsin and described as: Sec 30 T31N R17W 1.38 Acres. Commencing at the intersection of the north right-of-way of the highway with the west line of the SE ¼ of the SW ¼ section 30. Thence north along the west line 300 feet, thence east parallel with said right-of-way line 200 feet, thence south 300 feet to said right-of-way line, thence west 200 feet to the point of beginning.

Beth Thompson explained the area to be annexed from Stanton Township. The annexation fits in with our long range plan for this area and complies with the comprehensive plan. The proposed zoning is Z3 Multi-Use/Corridor District, which is the same as the surround area. Discussion followed. The State of Wisconsin has given approval to this annexation. Fred Horne declared the Public Hearing Closed. Mike Kastens moved to approve the Petition for Annexation from Jeff Moberg with the site zoned Z3 Multi-Use/Corridor District, seconded by Jim Zajkowski and carried.

Certified Survey Map from City of New Richmond for East Fourth Street

Jeremiah Wendt explained that Staff is requesting to vacate a portion of East Fourth Street along the sports center and to create a new CSM. The street abuts City property on both sides and really serves no purpose. In order for the Hockey Center to develop, it makes sense to vacate this street. They would like to construct an accessory building for the outside rink. This accessory building would align with the existing hockey arena. Vacating this street would also bring the hockey center building more into compliance with our ordinances. The next step for the Hockey Association would be to go to the Park Board and the DRC with their proposal. Jim Zajkowski moved to approve the Certified Survey Map on

the condition that the proposed CSM shall identify drainage and utility easements at the perimeter of the lot as required by Section 117-41.C.1 and over any in-place utilities within the existing East 4th Street right-of-way to be vacated, subject to review and approval of the Public Works Director. Motion was seconded by Mike Kastens and carried.

Possible Vacation of a Portion of East Fourth Street

Mike Kastens moved to proceed with the vacation of this portion of East Fourth Street, seconded by Jim Zajkowski and carried.

Jim Zajkowski moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mike Kastens and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 5:35 p.m.

Tanya Batchelor
City Clerk